

# Media Information



Columbus Division of Police  
Major Crimes Bureau / Homicide Unit

Date: December 17, 2020

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Type of Offense/Incident: Shooting - Homicide

Date: December 16, 2020 Time: 9:28PM

Location of Offense/Incident: R/O 6193 Deewood Loop W

Zone: 1

Precinct: 1

Incident Report #: 200937983

Cruiser District: 14

Victim: Major Harris III (Deceased)

Sex: Male

Race: Black

Age: 17

Victim: Deacon Smith

Sex: Male

Race: Black

Age: 18

Victim:

Sex:

Race:

Age:

Suspect: Unknown

Address:

☐ Arrested

☐ Warrant on File

Sex:

Race:

Age:

Charges:

Suspect:

Address:

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## Incident Summary:

\*\*\*UPDATE - The decedent has been identified as Major Harris III.\*\*\*

On December 16, 2020, at 9:28PM, Patrol Officers were dispatched to the area of Deewood Loop and Deewood Drive on shots being fired in the area. Upon arrival, Officers located what they believed was the scene of the incident in the rear of 6193 Deewood Loop W. At 9:36PM, Officers were dispatched to St. Ann's Hospital on two walk-in gunshot victims that were self-transported. Upon further investigation, it was determined that these victims came from the area of the Deewood shooting incident. One victim succumbed to his injuries and was pronounced at 10:31PM by attending medical personnel. The second victim, Deacon Smith, was transported to Mt. Carmel East Hospital for treatment, where he is expected to recover from his injuries. The motive behind this incident is still unclear at this time.

Anyone with information regarding this incident, is asked to call the Columbus Police Homicide Unit at (614) 645-4730 or Central Ohio Crime Stoppers at (614) 461-TIPS (8477). Incident #200937983. This is the 164th Homicide Investigation and the 163rd Homicide in Columbus Ohio in Calendar Year 2020. Detective Close is the lead detective on the case and is being assisted by Detective Zimmer.

This incident is still under investigation.

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